STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

IN RE:

:

APPLICATION OF HOMELAND TOWERS, : DOCKET NO. 520

LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AND :

PUBLIC NEED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION,

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF A
WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS

FACILITY AT 124 AGUE SPRING ROAD,

HADDAM, CONNECTICUT : DECEMBER 6, 2023

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Homeland Towers, LLC ("Homeland") respectfully requests that the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") issue a Protective Order pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes section 1-210(b)(5), with respect to certain terms of an Option and Ground Lease Agreement (the "Agreement"), dated August 22, 2018, between Brennan F. Danaher, Samantha R. Danaher and Homeland (the "Agreement"), submitted to the Council in connection with the above-referenced proceeding.

Connecticut General Statutes section 16-500 provides, in relevant part:

The applicant shall submit into the record the full text of the terms of any agreement . . . entered into by the applicant . . . in connection with the construction or operation of the facility. This provision shall *not* require the disclosure of proprietary information or trade secrets.

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 16-50o(c) (emphasis added). Pursuant to this requirement, Homeland submitted a redacted copy of the Agreement to the Council in the Docket No. 520 Application. (See Application, Attachment 18). The redacted provisions relate to financial terms and other confidential information contained in the Agreement ("Confidential Information"). Homeland is willing to submit an unredacted copy of the Agreement to the Council subject to the issuance of

a Protective Order that would limit disclosure of the Confidential Information to the Council and its staff.

As reflected in the attached Affidavit of Raymond Vergati, Regional Manager for Homeland, the information for which Homeland seeks protected treatment is commercially valuable, confidential and proprietary, market-sensitive information that constitutes trade secrets within the meaning of Connecticut General Statutes §1-210(b)(5), and which Homeland has heretofore used its best efforts to maintain as secret in order to avoid the harm that would result if the Confidential Information were to become publicly available. The Council has historically granted protected treatment of similar filings.

WHEREFORE, Homeland respectfully requests that the Council grant the request for protected treatment consistent with the attached Protective Order for the Agreement, which would limit disclosure of the Confidential Information to the Council and its staff.

Respectfully submitted,

HOMELAND TOWERS, LLC

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